

LAUNCH CONFERENCE OF THE PROGRESSIVE ECONOMY INITIATIVE

FAILED AUSTERITY IN EUROPE

THE WAY OUT

Thursday, 7 March 2013, 09.00-18.00, European Parliament building, room JAN 4Q-2, Brussels

FINAL PROGRAMME - Morning Session

(Short version)

09.00-09.30 OPENING AND WELCOME

With interventions by Hannes Swoboda MEP, President of the S&D Parliamentary Group, Poul Nyrup Rasmussen, former President of the PES and former Prime Minister of Denmark, and Bruno Liebhaberg, President of the FEPS Scientific Council

09.30-10.20 KEYNOTE INTERVENTION AND Q&A SESSION

The keynote intervention will be delivered by Pierre Moscovici, Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs, France. The intervention will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience

Moderator: Jacki Davis

10.35-11.30 PARALLEL THEMATIC WORKSHOPS

Can the new EMU function without a federal budget?

Hosted by the Next Left Economic Circle and chaired by Liem Hoang Ngoc MEP

A progressive economy for young workers

Hosted by the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC) and chaired by Sergio Cofferati MEP

The sources of austerity in Europe: an economic mistake, a hidden agenda, too little solidarity, a lack of democracy...?

Hosted by the OFCE, IMK and ECLM economic institutes, Co-authors of the Independent Annual Growth Survey (iAGS) and chaired by Udo Bullmann MEP

11.30-13.00 HIGH-LEVEL PANEL & OPEN DEBATE 1

A life beyond austerity - designing a progressive economic policy strategy for Europe

With the participation of Marco Buti, Director General, DG ECFIN, European Commission, Elisa Ferreira MEP, Prof. James Galbraith, Austin University, Texas, Prof. Dr. Gustav Horn, Director, IMK, Prof. Pier Carlo Padoan, Deputy Secretary General and chief economist, OECD.

Moderator: Véronique Augier, Chief editor, France3 TV

13.00-14.30 BUFFET LUNCH

LAUNCH CONFERENCE OF THE PROGRESSIVE ECONOMY INITIATIVE

FAILED AUSTERITY IN EUROPE

THE WAY OUT

Thursday, 7 March 2013, 09.00-18.00, European Parliament building, room JAN 4Q-2, Brussels

FINAL PROGRAMME - Afternoon Session

(Short version)

14.30-16.00 **HIGH-LEVEL PANEL & OPEN DEBATE 2**

The next crisis is a social crisis - Getting Europe back to work and out of poverty

With the participation of Stephen Hughes MEP, S&D Group Vice-President, Prof. Jean-Paul Fitoussi, Research Director and former President OFCE, Nicolas Schmit, Minister for Labour, Employment and Migration in Luxembourg, and Józef Niemiec, Deputy Secretary General of the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC).

Moderator: Véronique Auger, Chief editor, France3 TV

16.00-18.00 **HIGH-LEVEL PANEL AND OPEN DEBATE 3**

The challenge for progressive politics in the economic and social field: winning the current battle of ideas

With the participation of Alfredo Pérez Rubalcaba, Secretary General of PSOE Spain, Hannes Swoboda, President of the S&D Group, and Poul Nyrup Rasmussen, former President of the PES and former Prime Minister of Denmark.

Moderator: Adriana Cerretelli, Il Sole 24 Ore

18.00 **CLOSING**

LAUNCH CONFERENCE OF THE PROGRESSIVE ECONOMY INITIATIVE

FAILED AUSTERITY IN EUROPE

THE WAY OUT

Thursday, 7 March 2013, 09.00-18.00, European Parliament building, room JAN 4Q-2, Brussels

FINAL PROGRAMME

(Full version)

09.00-09.30 OPENING AND WELCOME

Hannes Swoboda

MEP, President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament

Poul Nyrup Rasmussen

Former President of the PES and former Prime Minister of Denmark

Bruno Liebhaberg, President of the Scientific Council of FEPS

09.30-10.20 KEYNOTE INTERVENTION AND Q&A SESSION

Pierre Moscovici

Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs, France

The Q&A session is moderated by Jacki Davis, Meade Davis Communications

10.35-11.30 PARALLEL THEMATIC WORKSHOPS

(For the detailed workshop programmes please see hereafter)

WORKSHOP 1 (Meeting room Altiero Spinelli building, ASP A3H-1)

Can the new EMU function without a federal budget?

In the chair: Liem Hoang Ngoc, MEP, France

This workshop is held by the "Next Left Economic Circle"

WORKSHOP 2 (Meeting room Altiero Spinelli building, ASP A3G-2)

A progressive economy for young workers

In the chair: Sergio Cofferati, MEP, S&D Group

This workshop is held by the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)

WORKSHOP 3 (Meeting room József Antall building, JAN 4Q2)

The sources of austerity in Europe: an economic mistake, a hidden agenda, a lack of solidarity, a lack of democracy...?

In the chair: Udo Bullmann, MEP, Chair of the SPD delegation, Germany

This workshop is held jointly by the OFCE, IMK and ECLM economic institutes, Co-authors of the "Independent Annual growth Survey (iAGS)"

11.30-13.00 HIGH-LEVEL PANEL AND OPEN DEBATE 1

A life beyond austerity - designing a progressive economic policy strategy for Europe

Marco Buti

Director General, DG ECFIN, European Commission

Elisa Ferreira

MEP, S&D Group coordinator on economic and monetary affairs, European Parliament rapporteur on the 2013 Annual Growth Survey

Professor James K. Galbraith

University of Texas at Austin, USA

Professor Dr. Gustav Horn

Scientific Director of the Institute of Macroeconomic Research (IMK) at the Hans Böckler Foundation

Professor Pier Carlo Padoan

Deputy Secretary General & Chief Economist, OECD

Debate with the audience

This debate is moderated by Véronique Auger, Chief editor, France TV

13.00-14.30 BUFFET LUNCH

14.30-16.00 HIGH-LEVEL PANEL AND OPEN DEBATE 2

The next crisis is a social crisis - Getting Europe back to work and out of poverty

Stephen Hughes MEP

Vice-President of the S&D Group for economic and social policy

Professor Jean-Paul Fitoussi

Research Director, former President, OFCE

Nicolas Schmit

Minister for Labour, Employment & Migration, Luxembourg
PES Chairman of the Ministerial meetings of Employment & Social Affairs Ministers

Józef Niemiec

Deputy Secretary General, ETUC

Debate with the audience

This debate is moderated by Véronique Auger, Chief editor, France TV

16.00-18.00 HIGH-LEVEL PANEL AND OPEN DEBATE 3

**The challenge for progressive politics in the economic and social field:
winning the current battle of ideas**

Alfredo Pérez Rubalcaba MP

Secretary General of the Spanish Socialist Workers Party (PSOE)

Hannes Swoboda MEP

MEP, President of the S&D Group in the European Parliament

Poul Nyrup Rasmussen

Former President of the PES and former Prime Minister of Denmark

Debate with the audience

This debate is moderated by Adriana Cerretelli, journalist, Il Sole 24 Ore

18.00 CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE

18.10 – 20.00 PUBLIC EVENING DISCUSSION

80 YEARS FROM THE NEW DEAL: LESSONS FOR EUROPE TODAY

Complementary event co-organised by the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and the European Commission

Location: Stanhope Hotel, Brussels

For a full programme and registration for this public evening discussion, see additional information at www.feps-europe.eu .

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION, IMPORTANT NOTICE:

THIS CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD AT THE PREMISES OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, RUE WIERTZ 60, BE-1047 BRUSSELS.

PRIOR REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED IN ORDER TO ENTER THESE PREMISES.

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE AT www.progressiveeconomy.eu

LAUNCH CONFERENCE OF THE PROGRESSIVE ECONOMY INITIATIVE

FAILED AUSTERITY IN EUROPE

THE WAY OUT

Thursday, 7 March 2013, 09.00-18.00, European Parliament building, room JAN 4Q-2, Brussels

PARALLEL THEMATIC WORKSHOPS - 10.35-11.30

WORKSHOP 1 (Meeting room Altiero Spinelli, A3H-1)
Can the new EMU function without a federal budget?

In the chair: **Liem Hoang Ngoc**, MEP, France
This workshop is held by the "Next Left Economic Circle"

James Galbraith, Professor, University of Texas at Austin, USA
Guntram Wolff, Deputy Director, Bruegel Institute

WORKSHOP 2 (Meeting room Altiero Spinelli, A3G-2)

A progressive economy for young workers

In the chair: **Sergio Cofferati**, MEP, S&D Group
This workshop is held by the European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC)

Patrick Itschert, Deputy Secretary General, European Trade Confederation (ETUC)
Giuseppe Porcaro, Secretary General, European Youth Forum
Sergio Gasparinni, Vice-Chair of the Macro-economic Task Force, European Centre of Employers and Enterprises providing Public Services (CEEP)

WORKSHOP 3 (Meeting room József Antall, JAN 4Q2)

The sources of austerity in Europe: an economic mistake, a hidden agenda, a lack of solidarity, a lack of democracy...?

In the chair: **Udo Bullmann**, MEP, Chair of the SPD delegation, Germany
This workshop is held jointly by the OFCE, IMK and ECLM economic institutes, Co-authors of the "Independent Annual Growth Survey (iAGS)"

Xavier Timbeau, Director, OFCE, Paris
Dr. Jo Michell, AUGUR PROJECT, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS)
Andrew Watt, Deputy Director, IMK, Düsseldorf